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Referred to Committee on ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Introduced by:
(ET)

AN ACT CONCERNING HYDRAULIC FRACTURING WASTE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section:
- 2 (1) "Fluid" means any material or substance which flows or moves
- 3 whether in semisolid, liquid, sludge, gas or any other form or state;
- 4 (2) "Hydraulic fracturing" means the process of pumping any fluid
- 5 into or under the surface of the ground in order to create fractures in
- 6 rock for the purpose of the production or recovery of oil or gas; and
- 7 (3) "Hydraulic fracturing waste" means any wastewater, wastewater
- 8 solids, brine, sludge, drill cuttings or other byproducts resulting from
- 9 hydraulic fracturing, including, but not limited to, solid wastes
- 10 identified in 40 CFR 261.4(b)(5).
- 11 (b) The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection shall
- 12 ensure that hydraulic fracturing waste transported in the state is
- 13 subject to the same rigorous standards and transparencies governing
- 14 the transport and handling of all hazardous waste pursuant to section

15 22a-449(c)-11 and sections 22a-449(c)-100 to 22a-449(c)-119, inclusive,
16 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies.

17 (c) On or before February 1, 2015, the Department of Energy and
18 Environmental Protection, in consultation with the Department of
19 Transportation, the Department of Public Health and the United States
20 Environmental Protection Agency, shall report to the joint standing
21 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
22 relating to energy regarding a comprehensive assessment of hydraulic
23 fracturing waste, including, but not limited to, recommendations to
24 ensure that such waste or related products transported in the state do
25 not in any way threaten air quality, water quality, public health and
26 safety, agriculture, livestock, wildlife, private lands, public lands and
27 public roadways.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To (1) define hydraulic fracturing waste, (2) regard hydraulic fracturing waste traveling in the state as hazardous waste, and (3) require the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection to conduct a comprehensive assessment of hydraulic fracturing waste.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]